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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE NIACT 210

INFO AMCONSUL KARACHI IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL LAHORE IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY KABUL IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: PK, PINT

SUBJ: INITIAL ELECTION RETURNS

1. AS OF 2200 HOURS PAKISTAN TIME, SIX HOURS AFTER POLLS
CLOSED, UNOFFICIAL INCOMPLETE RETURNS GIVEN ON PAK T.V GIVE
PPP A COMMANDING LEAD. FIGURES FROM 129 OF 200 CONSTITUENCIES SHOW
PPP WINNING OR LEADING IN 99 (INCLUDING 19 UNCONTESTED SEATS IN
SIND AND BALUCHISTAN), PNA IN 25, QAIYUM LEAGUE IN ONE,
INDEPENDENTS/TRIBAL CANDIDATES IN THREE, AND THE PAKTUNHWA
NAP IN ONE. PPP IS RUNNING UP BIG LEAD IN PUNJAB, WHERE IT
HAS WON OR IS AHEAD IN 59 CONSTITUENCIES TO PNA'S 10. PPP
IS AHEAD IN ALL FOUR LAHORE CONSTITUENCIES REPORTING
IN SO FAR (THERE IS A DISTRICT TOTAL OF EIGHT) AND APPEARS TO
HAVE WON BOTH THE ISLAMABAD AND RAWALPINDI CITY SEATS,
BEATING ASGHAR KHAN IN LATTER. ALL PPP CENTRAL CABINET
MINISTERS APPEAR TO BE WINNING THEIR CONTESTS. PNA'S
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BEST PROVINCIAL SHOWING SO FAR IS IN MULTANN(WHERE IT IS
LEADING IN FOUR RACES TO THE PPP'S FIVE), BUT IN MOST
PUNJAB CONSTITUENCIES IT IS RUNNING FAR BEHIND. PNA LEADER
MUFTI MAHMUD IS LOSING BOTH HIS RACES.

2. IN SIND, PPP HAS WON OR IS AHEAD IN 28 CONSTITUENCIES
(15 UNCONTESTED) TO 8 FOR PNA. ALLIANCE IS DOING WELL IN

KARACHI (WHERE ASGHAR KHAN HAS A NARROW LEAD) AND HYDERABAD.
NWFP IS CLOSELY CONTESTED, PPP AHEAD IN SIX, PNA IN SEVEN,
QAIYUM LEAGUE IN ONE. PPP IS AHEAD IN TWO OF THE THREE
CONTESTED BALUCHISTAN SEATS (IT WON THE FOUR UNCONTESTED
SEATS) AND TRAILS THE PAKTUNHWA NAP IN ONE.

3. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER LATE RETURNS AT 0900 LOCAL TIME
MARACH 8.
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